

Quran verses, words and letters are the same?

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Many Muslims claim that the Qur'an has not changed and remains the same as it was in the beginning. And this proves that the Qur'an is the word of Allah.

Ibn Kathir is the most reliable exegete of Islam. Although he tried to suppress many weaknesses of Islam. Yet his commentary suggests the presence of different versions of the Qur'an in his time.

How many verse in the Quran?

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At the time of Ibn Kathir, see the differences in the Qur'anic verses:

Some Said	6000(six thousand)
Some Said	6204 (added two hundred and four Ayat)
Some Said	6014(added fourteen)
Some Said	6219(added two hundred and nineteen)
Some Said	6225(added two hundred and twenty-five)
Some Said	6226(or twenty-six)
Some Said	6236 (two hundred and thirty-six)

It is clear that there were different versions of the Qur'an at the time of Ibn Kathir, which differed greatly in the number of verses. Which proves that not all Qurans are the same but there were many versions of Quran.

How many words and letters in the Quran?

The Number of Words and the Letters of the Qur'an

As for the number of the words and the letters of the Glorious Qur'an, Al-Fadl bin Shadhan said that 'Ata' bin Yasar said they are, "Seventy-seven thousand, four hundred and thirty-nine words."

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How many words in the Quran?

According to Al-Fadl bin Shadhan	77,439
Present Quran (some believe)	77,797 ¹ , 77,430 ²

Look, there were differences of opinion about the number of words in the Qur'an in the past and there are still today. None of which match.

How many letters in the Quran?

According to Abdullah bin Kathlr	321,180
According to Al-Fadl	323,015
According to Salam Abu Muhammad Al-Hamani	340,740.
Present Quran	330,709 ³

Think if the Qur'an is the same, why is the number of letters not the same? We compared the number of words in the Quran by the reliable sources of Islam and found a discrepancy. How can Muslims claim that the Qur'an has not changed after seeing this authentic document?

¹ <https://hamariweb.com/islam/info/how-many-words-in-quran/>

² [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Quran#:~:text=The%20Quran%2C%20also%20romanized%20Qur,of%20individual%20verses%20\(āyah\).](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Quran#:~:text=The%20Quran%2C%20also%20romanized%20Qur,of%20individual%20verses%20(āyah).)

³ <https://www.thelastdialogue.org/article/quran-statistics-and-facts/>